GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:581
ANSWERED ON:07.05.2002
MODEL JAIL MANUAL
RAGHURAJ SINGH SHAKYA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have directed the Bureau of Police Research and Development to prepare a Model Jail Manual to bring uniformity in the administration of prisons;

(b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have consulted the State Governments before making jail manual; and

(d) if so, the views of the States in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.581 TO ANSWERED ON 7.5.2002 BY SHRI RAGHURAJ SINGH SHAKYA REGARDING MODEL JAIL MANUAL

(a) & (b): The Central Government have constituted a Committee in the Bureau of Police Research and Development to prepare a Model Jail Manual which can be adopted by all the States and Union Territories. Six working groups consisting of officers belonging to the cadre of prison Department of different States/Union Territories have been constituted by the Committee to make recommendations on various aspects/chapters of the Model Manual.

(c) & (d): The working groups constituted to make recommendations on various aspects/chapters are comprised almost exclusively of officers from the Prison Departments of the States. After the draft Manual is ready it will be circulated to the States and their views/comments taken into consideration before the Manual is finalized. Thus, the Model Manual is being drafted as a participatory exercise involving the States.